



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Abe, et al.
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Title : NUCLEIC ACIDS, EXPRESSION VECTORS AND HOST CELLS FOR
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IMMOBILIZED POLYPEPTIDES

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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated December 11, 2001, be extended for three months to and including May 11, 2002.

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Respectfully submitted,

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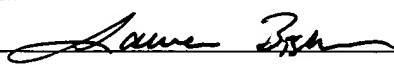
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